

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES  
MEDICAID PURCHASING ADMINISTRATION  
Olympia, Washington**

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Scale

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**Subject: Physician-Related Services: Policies Changes and Updates**

**Effective for dates of service on and after October 1, 2010**, the Department of Social and Health Services (the Department) will implement coverage changes to the influenza vaccine. This memo also reminds providers:

- Where to put place of service codes when billing for global obstetrical services; and
- Of updates to the maximum allowable fees for injectable drugs.

## Overview

**All policies previously published remain the same unless specifically identified as changed in this memo.**

## Coverage Changes

### Influenza Vaccine

This year's seasonal influenza vaccine includes an H1N1-like strain. Because of this, the monovalent 2009 H1N1 vaccine should no longer be used. **Effective for dates of service on and after October 1, 2010**, the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code G9142 for administration of the 2009 monovalent H1N1 vaccine will appear as noncovered on the Department's injectable fee schedule.

For children 0-18 years of age, these vaccinations are free from the Department of Health (DOH). Please bill the Department the appropriate flu vaccine code with an SL modifier. The Department will reimburse for the administration of the vaccine at \$5.96. For adults, bill the Department the appropriate flu vaccine code along with the administration code (CPT 90471 or 90472). The Department will reimburse providers in accordance with the *Physician-Related Services Billing Instructions*.

The Department has removed the seasonal flu vaccine date from the billing instructions. **Retroactive to dates on and after August 1, 2010**, providers may bill flu vaccines for eligible clients.

### Procedure Codes

**Effective for dates of service on and after October 1, 2010**, the Department will not cover the following procedure codes. Please bill the appropriate covered flu vaccines on the injectable fee schedule:

Procedure Code	Brief Description
90664	Influenza virus vaccine, pandemic formulation, live for intranasal use
90666	Influenza virus vaccine, pandemic formulation, split virus, preservative free, for intramuscular use
90667	Influenza virus vaccine, pandemic formulation, split virus, adjuvanted, for intramuscular use
90668	Influenza virus vaccine, pandemic formulation, split virus, for intramuscular use
90654	Influenza virus vaccine, split virus, preservative free, for intradermal use
J3364	Urokinase 5000 IU injection

### TN Modifier

**Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2011**, the Department **will not cover** the TN modifier, which allowed reimbursement of an add-on fee for rural deliveries.

## Policy Reminders

When billing global Obstetrical Services, the place of service code must correspond with the place where the child was born (for example: 25). The Department updated Section H of the [\*Physician-Related Services Billing Instructions\*](#) with this reminder.

## Injectable Drug Updates

On a quarterly basis, the Department updates the maximum allowable fees for drugs. These quarterly drug updates are posted online only. For current injectable drug updates, visit the Department on the web at: <http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/rbrvs/index.html>. Click the file with the most current date under the heading *Injectable Drugs*.

See Section C of the [\*Physician-Related Services Billing Instructions\*](#) for policy and guidelines.

## How Can I Get Department/MPA Provider Documents?

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